# BYLAWS OF THE MARY BRICKELL GARDEN CLUB ADOPTED AUGUST 3, 1991.

#### ARTICLE I : NAME

The name of this club shall be The Mary Brickell Garden Club.

#### ARTICLE II : OBJECT

The object of this club shall be to promote an interest in gardening, to cooperate in the protection of native plants and wildlife, and to encourage public planting and community beautification.

# ARTICLE III : MEMBERSHIP

 $\underline{\text{Section}}$   $\underline{1}$  - The membership of this club shall be limited to 30 active members. Members maintain active status by remaining current in their membership dues, and by attending one meeting per year.

 $\underline{\text{Section}}$   $\underline{2}$  - Honorary membership may be conferred for meritorious service. Honorary members shall enjoy all the privileges of the Club except the right to vote and hold office.

Section 3 - Any person interested in the objects of this Club shall be eligible for membership. The name of the applicant for membership shall be submitted in writing by two members of the Club and voted on at a subsequent meeting. Election shall be by ballot and a majority vote shall elect.

Section  $\underline{4}$  - The annual dues shall be twenty dollars payable in May. The Treasurer shall notify those members whose dues are not paid on this date and if such dues are not received by the Treasurer within sixty days thereafter, they shall be automatically dropped from the membership list.

 $\underline{\text{Section}}$   $\underline{5}$  - Any member in good standing who desires to withdraw from the Club shall send written resignation to the Secretary.

#### ARTICLE IV : OFFICERS

 $\underline{\text{Section}}$   $\underline{1}$  - The officers of the Club shall be : President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, and Treasurer.

 $\frac{\text{Section}}{\text{for two}} \stackrel{2}{\text{years}}$ . Their term of office shall begin after the Installation Meeting, which shall be the next regular meeting following the Annual Meeting.

 $\underline{\text{Section}}$   $\underline{3}$  - A Nominating Committee of 3 members shall be elected at the April meeting. It shall be the duty of this Committee to nominate candidates for the offices to be filled at the Annual Meeting, and to ascertain their willingness to serve, if elected. Nominations may be made from the floor at the time of election.

Section  $\underline{4}$  - No officer shall be eligible to serve more than two consecutive terms in the same office.

Section 5 - Vacancies in office, with the exception of the office of President, shall be filled for the unexpired term by vote of the Club members.

## ARTICLE V : DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1 - The President shall be the chief Executive Officer of the Club, its official spokesperson, and shall have general supervision of the affairs of the Club. She (or he) shall preside at all meetings of the Club and shall appoint Chairpersons of all Committees necessary to carry on the work of the Club.

Section 2 - The Vice President, in the absence of the President, shall perform the duties of that office. In the event of a vacancy in the office of President, the Vice President shall succeed to that office for the remainder of the unexpired term.

Section 3 - The Corresponding Secretary shall have charge of the correspondence of the Club and send out all notices.

Section 4 - The Recording Secretary shall keep the minutes of all meetings of the Club. She (or he) shall be responsible for the correct list of members, committee chairpersons, and for the official set of bylaws.

Section 5 - The Treasurer shall have charge of all monies of the Club and shall deposit same in such manner as the Club shall direct. She (or he) shall dispense money only upon order of the Club. She (or he) shall keep an account of all receipts and expenditures and shall present a financial statement whenever requested.

## ARTICLE VI : MEETINGS

Section 1 - The regular meetings of the Club shall be on the first Saturday of each month following the first Friday of each month. There will be no regular meetings in the months of August and January.

Section 2 - Special meetings may be called by the President or may be called upon written request of 7 members.

Section 3 - The regular meeting in May shall be known as the Annual Meeting.

Section 4 - Attendance of 25% of the membership shall constitute a quorum.

## ARTICLE VII : PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

The rules contained in the most current edition of "Roberts Rules of Order Revised" shall govern the Club in all cases where they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these bylaws.

## ARTICLE VIII: AMENDMENTS TO THE BYLAWS

These bylaws may be amended at any regular meeting of the Club by a two-thirds vote, provided notice of proposed amendments was given at a previous meeting.

These bylaws were approved by unanimous vote of members at the August 3, 1991 meeting of the Mary Brickell Garden Club.

Ralph Beaudry, President Mary Brickell Garden Club

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